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BRYANT'S POND.

Ray Jenkins arrived Saturday from Waterville, N. J., and will stay at the Hall cottage through the season. He will be joined this week by J. A. Smith of Texas.

A new house is to be built this season on the lot north of the hall's hard ware store. Work on the foundation will commence this week.

P. M. Morse and A. L. Hasey left Monday for Waterville, N. H., where they will engage in house painting.

Mrs. Elsie Forsythe left Monday for Waterville, Me., to visit her mother, Dr. J. A. Goffette, who is now very ill from the effects of a cancer.

C. A. Smith and Albert Hasey are to be employed in taking the valuation of the timber lands in town.

Elmer Farnham has just returned from a trip to North Haven, where he has been visiting his brother, Clifford Farnham, proprietor of a summer house on the island.

Interdenominational services were held at the Baptist church, Sunday evening under the direction of the pastor, Rev. E. H. Steyer.

Ray Jenkins and wife are visiting friends at Skowhegan, N. H.

WEST GREENWOOD.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones were recent callers on friends in Albany.

Thomas Kennagh, Jr., is visiting his parents for a few weeks.

Miss Ansel Cross is attending Bryant's Pond High School.

Harry Swift of Locke's Mills was in town one day last week, taking the valuation.

Abner Kimball of Albany was in this place, Saturday.

J. P. Harrington has several trees tapped—he has made a considerable amount of syrup, although the weather has not been the best for the season.

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Fred Wood and wife were week end guests of their son, Lester Wood and family at South Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Bean and son, Warren, of Auburn came Saturday to visit Mrs. Bean's sister, Mrs. Clarence Bennett. Mr. Bean returned home, Monday.

A number of the young men have been going to Norway lately to take examinations for the National Guard. Mr. Winfield Howe and Mr. Art Barrows have already enlisted.

Clifford Merrill and family are to move on Clark street and A. Morgan and family will occupy the room vacated by the Merrill's, which has been purchased by Howard Thurston.

MIDDLE INTERVALE ROAD. Miss Mollie Stanley went to Locke's Mills last Sunday, where she is to teach the same school that she taught during the winter.

Ned Carter and crew with 22 horses came out of the woods last week. He has already sold one span to Will Farwell.

Most every family in this community have been sick with the prevailing cold.

Miss Maudie Capen was at Ned Carter's for a couple of days last week visiting her sister in the care of the children.

HANOVER.

Mildred and Marion Dyer are spending some Easter vacation at their home, Mrs. Ray Bean, who is caring for Mrs. Smith at the home of A. T. Fowles, is on the sick list.

People are busy in their sugar orchards, but it has been rather a poor year so far.

Schools throughout the town began Monday with the same teachers as last term.

In A. Roberts has a box letter of page Miss Helen Shapiro is slowly recovering from her fall but still has her fractured knee.

The Orange Society Circle will meet with Mrs. C. P. Saunders, April 15th. J. B. Roberts and granddaughter were at J. A. Roberts', Easter Sunday in a singing off.

BETHEL and Vicinity

Mr. Percy L. Robertson has enlisted in the Navy.

Mrs. A. E. Herriek was in Portland last Thursday.

Mrs. G. L. Thurston went to Boston last Thursday.

Mr. E. H. Young was in Portland, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Margaret E. Herriek was in Berlin, N. H., Saturday.

Miss Marian Mansfield returned to Smith College, Wednesday.

Miss Mary D. Merrill came up from Portland one day last week.

Prof. F. E. Hanson was in Mechanic Falls on business, Saturday.

Miss Harriet Andrews of Kansas City is a guest of Miss Mary True.

Mrs. Ella Mansfield and daughter, Marian, were in Portland, Saturday.

Miss Blanche Richardson returned to her school at Livermore Falls, Saturday.

Mr. Gilbert Rich of Ithaca, N. Y., was calling on friends in town, Tuesday.

Mr. Ervin Smith was a business visitor in Portland and Lewiston last week.

Mrs. Marshall Hastings and daughter, Ruth, were in Berlin, N. H., Saturday.

Mrs. Lawrence Lavorgna and Miss Mona Martyn are spending a few days in Canton.

Mrs. F. E. Purinton went to Yarmouth and Portland, Wednesday, to visit relatives.

Messrs. Willie and Daniel Forbes were guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Forbes last week.

Mrs. Sidney Chapman and two children were week end guests of relatives at Bryant's Pond.

Mrs. Roy Frost of Norway was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Durell a few days last week.

Mr. Francis Mills of Jefferson, N. H., was a guest of his sister, Mrs. Walter Bartlett, the first of the week.

Mr. Archie Buck of Portland was a week end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Buck, on Swan's Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Chamberlain, who have been visiting their daughter in Portland, returned home, Saturday.

Mr. Sawyer and family of Boston are now occupying the Edw. King house which he recently purchased.

Miss Dorothy Swan of Roxbury, Mass., was a guest of Mr. H. M. Farwell and family a few days last week.

Miss Helen Frost was called home last Thursday afternoon by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Roswell Frost.

Mr. Clifton D. Foster of Somerville, Mass., was in Bethel, Monday, on his way to attend his mother's burial in Norway.

Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Chapman and Mrs. B. F. Fickett are attending the Annual Methodist Conference being held at Westbrook, Maine.

Miss Iona Tibbitts of Graham Normal School is spending the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tibbitts.

Mrs. Angella Clark and son, Irving, went to Lisbon, Me. last Thursday and will also visit relatives in Rockport, Me., before returning home.

Mrs. Gertrude Everett and daughter, Mrs. D. T. Durell, went to Norway, Sunday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Everett's mother, Mrs. Howard Frost.

Miss Kathryn Bryant and friend, Miss Nathaniel Mallon, returned to their home in Bangor, Saturday, after spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Tieling.

Mrs. Mary O. widow of Orrin Foster, died at the home of her son, Walter Foster in Greenville, April 3. Her remains were brought to Bethel, Monday, and services were held at F. J. Tibbitts'.

Monthly Chapter of Norway, Francis Chandler and Helen Henry of Norway, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Peterson of Auburn and Harold Chandler of Westbrook were guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Chandler, Easter.

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Ella Sanborn was home from Auburn to visit her sisters, Easter.

Mrs. Leallo Davis from Locke's Mills was in Bethel one day the last of the week.

Miss Cora Brown of Auburn spent Easter with her brother and family, Harry Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Robertson have returned to their home on Paradise road, after spending the winter at Maple Inn.

Mrs. Belle Brown, who has been staying with her son, Arrol and family, has gone to Watford to remain with her son, Wall Brown and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Wheeler of Olean were in town over Sunday.

The Weatall Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Harry Brown, Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Howard Coburn and daughter, Florence, went to Bangor, Monday, to visit relatives.

Rev. J. H. Little was called to Canton last Friday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Hannah D. Adkins, who died in Portland, aged 85.

Mrs. John Philbrook, who has been spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Brown and family at Portland, returned home, Sunday.

Local View, Memorial Day and Birthday

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The Home Circle

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they join the Home Circle at Evening Tide

HOME FURNISHING.

Francis M. Whitcomb, Assistant Professor of Home Economics in Farmers' Week Course.

We often confuse the terms house and home. The home means the family life. The house is the place where the home-maker surrounds herself and her family with artistic and harmonious furnishings, where she tries to create the real home atmosphere and help develop all the members of her family.

The home should stand for rest, comfort, peace, health, and inspiration. Based on these principles, it will be simple in its furnishings and in its style of living. By simplicity we mean nothing unnecessary—everything for a purpose.

Each room and each article of furnishing that goes into that room should serve a definite purpose. The hall is primarily a passageway. We should treat it accordingly with such furnishings as are suitable and necessary. The living room is for the family life. It is the most important room in the average American home. The atmosphere should be one of rest, cheer, companionship, comfort, and enjoyment.

The dining room exists to eat in, and to eat in peace. Anything not contributing to this idea is out of place and unnecessary. The table with its furnishings is the center of interest. Other things to be subordinate to it. The kitchen is the work room. We want cleanliness and convenience emphasized here. The pantry with its shelves is a convenience for the kitchen. It requires the same treatment. The bedrooms stand for rest and quiet. All furnishings should strengthen that purpose. The bathroom speaks for itself. It is one of the most useful rooms in the house and can be made very attractive. The furnishings should be simple, convenient, clean, and not easily spotted by water.

What factors in rooms make for hominess? Light, ventilation, sanitation, convenience, lines, and colors. These are expressed by the walls and floors as backgrounds—the windows and doors for light and ventilation—the furniture and rugs for comfort—pictures and other decorative features to add to the attractiveness and livableness of the rooms.

To produce livableness and rest we must give some thought to the lines and colors of the furnishings. A piece of furniture may be good in itself, but if placed in opposition to other lines of the room it will be out of harmony. A cushion may be a beautiful color but if placed with other colors not suited to it, the result will be inharmonious.

A room is made of straight lines—horizontal and vertical. In furnishing it, we should conform to these lines. Lines that oppose are not restful. We should never place rugs diagonally on the floor or pieces of furniture across the corners of a room. Pictures should hang flat on the wall. The screw eyes of the wire should be near the top of the frame. Two wires, one from each screw eye to the mounting should support the picture. Draperies for the window should follow the straight lines of the window and should hang from the inside of the casing. They are for the purpose of screening from the outside view, not for a decorative purpose. In general, vertical lines give height and decrease width, horizontal lines decrease height and increase width.

In the selection of wall paper these are important considerations. A low room needs vertical lines to increase the apparent height. A very high room does not need the long lines but should have horizontal lines introduced by a border or moulding 10 inches to 12 inches below the angle of the wall and ceiling.

Colors produce different effects. Certain ones, red, yellow, orange, and brown are the warm colors. They produce cheery, homely feelings. For this reason they are well suited for rooms with a northern exposure. Green, blue, violet and gray are the cool colors. They give a cool, restful feeling to a room with a southern exposure.

Light colors create a feeling of size, therefore are good for small rooms. Red produces an irritating, unrestful feeling. It makes a room appear smaller. We should use it only in small amounts. If rightly used, it adds warmth and cheer.

Large designs of colors that are contrasts to the background appear to stand away from the wall and are disquieting. Small designs and plain paper give size to a room. The plain paper is the best background for pictures.

We should select colors in rugs carefully. The floor is a background—the rugs should carry out this idea. The design should be inconspicuous, preferably small—the colors dark and subdued.

A good rule to follow is the "gradation of color" in a room, the floor the darkest tone, the walls next, and the ceiling the lightest. We should furnish each room not as a unit, complete in itself, but in its relation to the other rooms of the house.

LOCKE'S MILLS.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Brown and children were guests of relatives in Bethel, Sunday.

Mrs. Leslie Davis and little son are visiting relatives in Portland and Woodford.

Winnifred Maxim was in Norway shopping, Wednesday.

Mrs. W. H. Crockett attended the grange at Bryant's Pond, Saturday.

Sidney Howe, of Hanover, visited with relatives the week-end.

Ralph King is home from his work on the G. T. for a while.

C. B. Tebbets and Fred Morton attended the funeral of Charles Morton, at Malden, Mass., Wednesday.

Rev. T. C. Chapman, of Bethel, preached an interesting Easter sermon at the Union church, Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. Crockett and Mrs. Mary Bartlett attended Pomona grange at Oxford, Tuesday.

Bert Goadwin was in Berlin, N. H., Sunday.

SUNDAY RIVER.

Pearl Flint was in this place looking after the drive.

Dave Long has gone to Rhode Island.

Fred Bell of Berlin was in this place one day recently, buying horses.

Homer Smith is working for J. P. Skillings at Bethel.

Mrs. Homer Smith is teaching school on Bear River.

Joe Jolbert of Rumford and Luke Dunham of Lewiston were in this place the latter part of the week.

C. D. Bean and Elmer Ingalls have gone to Ketchum to work on the drive.

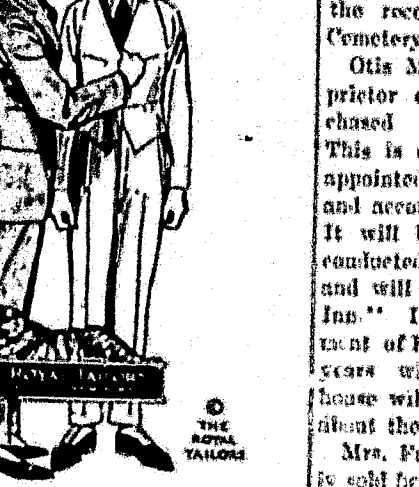
J. A. Spiny has returned home from Portland.

Howard Bailey has been hauling supplies for the Berlin Mills.

Herbert Long is out of the woods and is spending a few days at H. M. Kendall's.

W. W. Hastings was in this place, Saturday.

Ruth and Charlotte Kendall called at J. J. Spiny's, Sunday.



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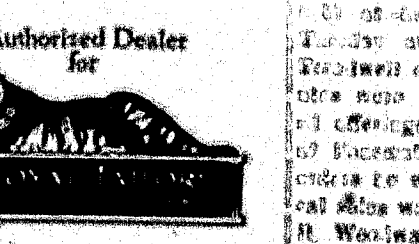
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CANTON.

Miss L. B. Treadwell has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Harry G. Clark, of Portland.

Miss Annie Whittier of Gorham has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. G. Davis.

Leo W. Blaisdell has been a guest of Geo. L. Wadlin and wife.

Aaron W. Jackson was called to Auburn last week by the death of his brother, Freeman G. Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Clyde Bicknell are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter last Wednesday, who has been named Fern.

Mrs. Josie L. Childs has sold her lively stable in Lewiston and has moved to Farmington Falls, where she has purchased a general merchandise store. Mrs. Childs was a former Canton resident.

Mother's day will be observed May 13 at the Universalist church and the Post and Relief Corps are invited to attend in a body.

Miss Gladys Morrill of Sumner has been a guest of Miss Eva Briggs.

Mrs. Hannah Bailey Adkins passed away April 3, the home of her daughter, Horatio H. Gammon of Portland, after some months of poor health. Mrs. Adkins was nearly 80 years of age. She was born in Canton, the daughter of Nezer Bailey and Sarah Pratt Bailey, to whom were born five children. Mr. Bailey was the father of fourteen children, having nine by his second marriage to Rebecca Turner. Mrs. Adkins is the last of the family to pass away, a brother, Andrew J. Bailey, passing away about two weeks ago. Mrs. Adkins married Benjamin Adkins, a young farmer, and they had four sons and one daughter, namely, Ellen Adkins of Canton, George D. Adkins of Livermore Falls, Percy Adkins of South Paris, Frank Adkins and Mrs. Sarah A. Gammon of Portland, all of whom survive. Mrs. Adkins was an honored member of Canton Grange, No. 119, P. of H. The funeral was held at the Universalist church, Canton, Friday at 11 o'clock. Rev. J. H. Little of Bethel, officiating. Music was furnished by Mrs. Edith S. Ellis, Mrs. E. B. Woodward, J. K. Forhan and Theon Woodward. The floral offerings were abundant and beautiful and included a lovely piece from Canton Grange. The remains were placed in the receiving tomb at Pine Woods Cemetery, Canton.

Olis M. Richardson of Canton, proprietor of Pinewood Camp, has purchased Hotel Twitwell in Andover. This is one of the largest and finest appointed hotels in Oxford County, and accommodates one hundred guests. It will be thoroughly renovated and completed as a first class summer hotel and will be known as the "Bluemont Inn." It will be under the management of Fred A. Hutchins, for fourteen years with Lakeview camp. The house will be open for summer guests about the first of June.

Mrs. Frances C. Handy, who recently sold her residence on Pleasant street to W. Elroy Deane, has purchased the stand on High street owned by her mother, Mrs. Cecilia Fletcher, and will soon move there.

The little child of Horace L. Warren and wife is much better.

A pleasant meeting of the Pine Tree club was held Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Cora B. Fuller of the River House. After the business part of the meeting the following program was enjoyed: Roll call answered by current events. Historical paper, "From the beginning of the Civil War to the reconstruction period," Mrs. Blanche Richardson, sketch of the life of Alva Dean Lincoln, Mrs. Alice N. Bicknell, sketch of Walt Whitman's life, Mrs. Frank W. Moore, sketch of the life of Jefferson Davis, Mrs. Edith S. Ellis, sketch of Henry W. Longfellow, Mrs. Fannie B. French, poem from Longfellow, Mrs. Frances Adkins, quotation from Longfellow, the members, recitation, "A Psalm of David," Mrs. Clara B. Butler, sketch of Franklin Pierce, Mrs. Geo. W. Warren, the result of the campaign. A treat of refreshments and music was served by the players and a good time was enjoyed. The next meeting will be in two weeks, Sunday, May 6, at 2 o'clock.

As a tribute to the fact that Canton is the birthplace of the great statesman, John Adams, the members of West Portland.

The ladies of the Canton Grange, who are working on a good time, are preparing for the next meeting, which will be in two weeks, Sunday, May 6, at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. A. J. Jones is to be out on the 15th of this month.

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NORWAY, MAINE

GOVERNMENT CROP REPORT.

A summary of the April crop report for the state of Maine, and for the United States, as compiled by the Bureau of Crop Estimates (and transmitted through the Weather Bureau), U. S. Department of Agriculture, is as follows:

MAINE.

Hogs—Losses from disease past year, 20 per cent; 10 year average, 22 per cent.

Cattle—Losses from disease past year, 1.1 per cent; 10 year average, 1.6 per cent. Losses from exposure past year, 0.2 per cent; 10 year average, 0.2 per cent.

Sheep—Losses from disease past year, 1.9 per cent; 10 year average, 2.1 per cent. Losses from exposure past year, 0.4 per cent; 10 year average, 0.7 per cent.

Horses and Mules—Losses from disease past year, 1.8 per cent; 10 year average, 1.8 per cent.

Prices—The first price given below is the average on April 1 this year, and the second the average on April 1 last year. Corn 101 and 90 cents per bushel. Oats, 80 and 51. Potatoes, 235 and 194. Hay, \$13.00 and \$12.50 per ton. Eggs, 31 and 23 cents per dozen.

UNITED STATES.

Rye—Condition April 1 this year, 40 per cent; 10 year average April 1 condition, 89.6 per cent.

Hogs—Losses from disease past year, 4.7 per cent; 10 year average, 6.7 per cent.

Cattle—Losses from disease past year, 1.94 per cent; 10 year average, 2.04 per cent. Losses from exposure past year, 1.15 per cent; 10 year average, 1.48 per cent.

Sheep—Losses from disease past year, 0.17 per cent; 10 year average, 0.45 per cent. Losses from exposure past year, 0.24 per cent; 10 year average, 0.66 per cent.

Horses and Mules—Losses from disease past year, 1.06 per cent; 10 year average, 1.91 per cent.

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Spring Colds Are the Worst

They lead to catarrh and pneumonia. They weaken the entire system and leave it unable to resist the sudden changes. They interfere with your digestion and lessen your activity. Neglected they soon become that dread disease known as epidemic catarrh. Don't neglect them. It's costly as well as dangerous.

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Have a box of Peruna Tablets with you for the sudden cold or exposure. Take your system up with a regular course of the liquid Peruna, forty to sixty cents per year question up to one cent take care of yourself and your family. If you are suffering with colds, take the treatment at once. Give NAT. de la Peruna she needs to throw off the catarrh in inflammation, and make it become well.

Peruna has been helping people for 44 years. Thousands of homes rely on it for coughs, cold and influenza. It's a good tonic for the weak, as well.

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RUMFORD

Frank J. Bigby, for several years director of the Rumford Band, but who of late has been located in Portland, has been elected director of the Coast Artillery Band and expects to go to Fort Williams in a short time.

Albert Russell of this town has enlisted in the eighth company of Lewis.

A two story porch is being constructed on the front of the residence of Fred E. Rendall on Rumford avenue.

Angus Wilson, a paper maker in the Oxford Mill, has purchased the Binford house on Granite street, Mexico.

The meeting of the Searchlight Club this week will be held on Friday afternoon with Mrs. Robert J. Harris of Penobscot street, when the subject will be "Science."

Harry Day, who was recently injured in one of the paper mills, is recovering at his home in New Sharon.

E. F. Day of Turner has accepted a position in the machine shop of one of the mills.

Congress street presents a very patriotic appearance, as flags have been placed in front of most of the places of business.

Mrs. Daniel U. Paine of Standish is the guest of her son, Principal Leon G. Paine of the Stephens High school.

The Rumford Falls Light and Water Company has leased the store at 42 Congress street formerly occupied by Aschoff and Persky, for an electric shop.

The opening of the new store will take place on Saturday, April 14. Beginning on April 6th a series of three matches is being shot between the Rumford Rifle Club and the Livermore Falls Rifle Club as follows: April 6, 8 and 13, prone; April 20, prone with sand bag rest.

The annual meeting of the Rumford District Nursing Association will be held at the municipal court room on Wednesday evening of this week, for the purpose of electing officers and directors for the ensuing year.

The Congress and Bridge street bridges are guarded by special police.

On Monday evening at eight o'clock with the sound of the fire whistle the Rumford firemen inaugurated their

ninth annual concert and ball in the municipal hall. For the past nine years this has been an annual event. Talent was had from Portland, consisting of Master Lyons and his partner in his juvenile act, and the Rambler Quartette.

Webster's nine piece orchestra of Rumford furnished the music of the evening.

Charles Roy McLeod, eldest son of Matthew McLeod, left last week for Lewiston where he enlisted in the navy.

The young man is in his twentieth year, and is the first youth in Mexico to respond to the call of the Navy Department. He was born in Mexico and attended the high school there.

A special convocation of Strathglass Commandery, No. 21, Knights Templar, was held at the Aythya on Easter Sunday at 1:30 P. M. to attend Easter service at the First Baptist church at the invitation of the pastor and people of the First Baptist parish. The sermon was by Rev. Frederic F. Poshay, pastor. The Sir Knights paraded from the Aythya to the church, and music for the occasion was furnished by the Rumford Falls Band.

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This Question Should Be Answered Easily by Bethel People

Which is wiser—to have confidence in the opinions of four fellow-citizens, or people you know, or depend on statements made by bitter strangers residing in far-away places? Read the following:

A. L. Holt, carpenter, Elm St., Bethel, says: "I am always ready to recommend Doan's Kidney Pills on account of the fine benefit they have been to me. I always keep Doan's Kidney Pills, procured from Bosserman's Drug Store, in the house and use them as I feel in need of them. They quickly relieve any disorder of my kidneys and naturally, my confidence in them is very strong."

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give very necessary interior facilities for accommodating the pupils during the coming year.

Rev. John M. Arters of the Rumford Methodist church is programmed to deliver the conference sermon, Wednesday, April 11, at Westbrook at 2:30 in the afternoon at the Maine Methodist Conference.

Mrs. John Caldwell of North Rumford is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ed. Virgin of Dixfield.

Isaac Easter is working for his cousin, Mr. George Grover, at North Rumford.

James Young, R. H. S. 1916, who has been employed in the office of the Continental Paper Bag Mill for a time, has now accepted a position in the chemical department of the Oxford Mill under Mr. Martin L. Griffin, head chemist.

By the removing of the banking on Main avenue, where the new sidewalk is to be laid by the town, the roots of several large poplar trees were so badly cut and mutilated, that it has been necessary to cut the trees down.

So doing the fine lawns of E. M. McCarty and the McCarty Hospital, and that of William Agnew, have been robbed of four or five handsome trees each, which it will take years to replace.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlow of the Harlow Hill road are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter.

Don Gram of Mexico is at the McCarty Hospital where he has undergone a surgical operation for appendicitis. He is getting along very nicely.

Master Henry Salmonson of Lisbon Falls is a guest of Dr. Noyes and daughters at the Emergency Hospital.

The Parent-Teachers' Association of Rumford is to hold an entertainment and social at the Stephens High school on Thursday evening of this week, when refreshments will be obtainable, the proceeds to be used in sending a delegate to the National convention this spring at Washington, D. C.

Miss Susie Brown, who has been employed in the telephone office, is enjoying an extended vacation from her duties. Miss Debora McPhee, who has been for several years in this office, has resigned, her wedding to occur soon to Mr. William Poole of Kalamazoo, Mich.

Miss Florence Hinds of Livermore Falls, a former Rumford teacher, is visiting the family of her brother, Lieut. Arthur Hinds of Lockness road.

Earl E. Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Richardson of the Swale road, is at the Methodist Episcopal Hospital in Brooklyn, N. Y., recovering from a serious operation for appendicitis. He is a student at the Western College at Milford, Conn.

ALBANY.

On account of the stormy weather the church was postponed until April 13, leaving Rev. H. L. Hoar, Mainland and Abel Andrews are to enter too.

The children of our Sunday school made the Easter service very interesting with their songs and recitations. Chas. G. Scribner is spending a few days with his brother, Woodman Scribner.

Maitland Bird has been getting up A. G. Bann's novel. Roy Wardwell and Cecil Dean are sewing it.

They Johnson bought a house of Harry McNally and has gone to Oxford to visit relatives.

The Ladies' Missionary Society met with Mrs. Angie Ross, Tuesday evening.

One Kimball of North Bridgton was through here, buying coal calves. Thursday.

Sometimes it takes a pretty strong man to carry out his own plans.

ANDOVER

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Field have gone to the Upper Dam for the summer.

Archer Poir has moved his family into Fred Thomas' house.

Mrs. George Thomas, who has been very ill, is slowly gaining. Her daughter, Mrs. Bert Dunn, has been with her the past week.

The Juvenile Whist Club was entertained by L. R. Hall at his son's Louis Hall, Saturday evening. Eighteen members were present. Mrs. Oscar Damon and Homer Cutting won the first prizes, and Mrs. Neal Bodwell and Albert Crossman the consolation prizes. Delicious refreshments were served.

Mrs. Susie Hutchins was the guest of Mrs. Alice Thurston, Thursday last. Wm. Cushman has returned to his home after spending the winter with his son, Somers Cushman, in Detroit, Michigan.

Owen Lovejoy has spent a few days the past week at Bethel, sealing lumber.

Edward Abbott has a crew of men cutting wood for next season.

Dr. Davis, the veterinary surgeon, from Rumford was in town, Saturday, to see James Littlehale's horse.

The King's Daughters will be entertained Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Gertrude Nawnhall.

B. L. Akers, who is visiting friends in Pittsburg, Pa., is expected home soon.

Fred Thomas and wife have gone to the Upper Dam for the season.

Dr. and Mrs. Cole, who have been spending the winter in Florida, have returned to their summer home at Andover.

Miss Mina Stevens has returned from a visit with friends in New Hampshire.

Mrs. Edward Akers was the guest of Mrs. Willard Nowhall, Friday of last week.

Chaundler York will have charge of the town hall this year.

At the annual parish meeting held Monday P. M., April 2, thirteen new members were added. M. A. Howard, C. A. Andrews and Frank Keith were chosen parish committee.

Mrs. Fannie Hutchins, who has been visiting Mrs. Llewellyn Damon, returned home, Sunday.

The Camp Fire Girls held their ceremonial meeting last Friday evening at the home of their guardian, Effie Akers.

Walter Bailey has moved his family to his home at South Andover.

A. R. Rand has electric lights installed in his home.

Easter services were held at the Congregational church, Sunday morning. The church was prettily decorated with plants, ferns and Easter lilies. Special music was given by the choir, including a flute solo by Mr. French. Rev. George Graham presided from the text, "The Risen Christ." The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed, and nine young people united with the church. In the evening a Cantata was given.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hanson are home from New Hampshire, where Mr. Hanson has been sealing lumber.

Cyrus McCain is working for Y. A. Thurston.

John P. Hewey passed away late Thursday night, April 5, at McCarty Hospital after an illness of two weeks. Mr. Hewey was about 75 years of age, and was a veteran of the Civil War. He was a native of Andover and owned a farm here. He spent the past few winters in Mexico with his daughter, Mrs. Mabel Cummings. His wife died several years ago. He is survived by his daughter and four grandchildren.

Otis M. Richardson of Canton has purchased Hotel Twitchell. It will be known as "The Blackmont Inn," and will be opened to the public June 1st.

The Ancient and Honorable Whist Club met Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Rand at their new home on Main street.

WEST BETHEL.

The ferry boat was put into the river, Monday.

Mrs. Horace Walker has returned home after an extended visit in Boston.

Mrs. McJunk has returned from Boston's Point.

Mrs. Marie Vanham went to the M. H. Hospital in Lewiston, Maine, due to a throat trouble.

Mr. E. E. Allen is expected home from Boston, Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Holbrook were in Bethel, N. H., Monday.

NORTHWEST ALBANY.

Mrs. Elvira Rolfe, who has been quite ill for the past few weeks, is better at this writing.

Leiland Mills and Mr. Whitman are working in the mill for O. B. Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rolfe and son, Robert, visited Mr. Rolfe's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Rolfe, Tuesday.

Mrs. Amy Hunt is sleeping with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wanda Mills.

Marion Ross visited Mrs. Leiland Mills, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Pingree called on Mrs. C. W. Rolfe, Tuesday.

WEST PARIS

Easter was observed at all the churches. At the Universalist the pastor's theme was, "The Perfect Life." Music by choir and children.

Holy communion. Four united with the church. An excellent Easter concert was given by the children in the evening to a crowded house.

At the Methodist church the sermon and music were appropriate to the day. There was a baptism of candidates and several members joined the church. A very good Easter concert was given in the evening.

At the Baptist church there was an Easter sermon by the pastor with music by choir. Several members joined the church; some who had letters from other churches. An evening service was also held.

Rupert P. Berry has enlisted in the navy. The sincere good wishes of everybody will follow this young man who is one of our very best.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin J. Mann are announcing the birth of a daughter born on Easter morning, weighing 9 1/2 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Waterhouse also have a little daughter, born April 7, weighing 11 1/2 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Bowker of Portland spent Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Tuell.

Mrs. F. S. Farnum held an Easter display of fashionable millinery on Friday and Saturday.

At the business meeting of the Free Baptist church held Wednesday evening, Secretary G. H. Hamlin, D. D. of Lewiston was present and was chosen moderator. The following officers were chosen:

Clerk—Mrs. S. T. White.

Treasurer—Mrs. A. D. Coburn.

Deacons—E. L. Porter, S. T. White, Pulpit Com.—Mrs. Q. A. Day, Miss E. Berry, E. L. Potter.

Membership Com.—Pastor, Mr. Porter, Mrs. Coburn.

Finance Com.—Mrs. Coburn, E. R. Berry, R. T. Flavin.

Trustees—E. R. Berry, D. A. Grover, R. T. Flavin, A. E. Marshall, G. W. Berry.

Wm. W. Berry, Mrs. C. D. Dunham.

Chorister—Mrs. A. A. Grover.

The trustees were asked to make any recommendations in regard to church repairs. A committee of five were chosen to consider the matter of cooperation with the M. E. church if the way opens for such consideration, who are as follows: Mrs. Coburn, Mrs. C. D. Dunham, Miss E. Berry, E. L. Berry, E. L. Porter. Four applications for membership, by letter were received.

The annual meeting of the W. C. T. U. met at Mrs. L. C. Bates' Thursday afternoon. The following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. L. C. Bates.

Vice Presidents—Baptist church, Mrs. Annie W. White.

Methodist church, Mrs. Lizzie Lane.

Universalist church, Mrs. Elida V. Ball.

Sec.—Miss Della H. Lane.

Treas.—Mrs. Sadie M. Patch.

After the meeting a treat of fruit was enjoyed.

The members and attendants at the M. E. church enjoyed a supper and social at Centennial Hall, Wednesday evening. A good number were in attendance.

Miss Lillian Wheeler is at H. H. Wardwell's.

Rev. Sarah Robinson and Mrs. S. T. White were at Woodstock, Thursday, calling on friends.

HANOVER.

Sam and Duncan McPhees are at home.

Mike Teller is at his sister's, Mrs. Barlow's.

C. E. Saunders and son were at Bethel, Friday.

J. J. McPherson hauled his fertilizer from Bethel, Saturday.

Louis Powers carried cream for F. Saunders to Rumford, Thursday.

Dan McPherson was at John McPherson's, Sunday.

Alton Harrell took the school vacation one day last week.

Harry Powers has been sawing wood for M. A. Holt and Alton Harrell.

THE FLOWER SEEDS.

The government seeds, referred to in the Citizen a few weeks ago, have arrived. They are various varieties of flower seeds and no vegetable seeds.

We will be glad to furnish these to any who wish and have already sent a package to each one who has applied. The following is the variety, all contained in one package: Calendula, Rock-rose, Mignonette, Sweet Alyssum, Poppy. Telephone or write to this office and a package will be sent.

FOR SALE.

16 Rhode Island Red hens. Good layers. \$1.00 each.

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Bethel, Maine.

NORTH HARTFORD.

Fred Gurney went to Hebron, Tuesday, on business.

Wilma Davenport is visiting friends in Canton.

School began at Tyler Corner, Monday, the ninth, with Nellie Tripp of Turner as teacher.

Charles DeCoster of Benson Hill is going to Berlin, N. H., to work for the Berlin Mills Co.


Harold Newton has gone to Buckfield to work for Shirley Bonney.

Arthur Goding went to Livermore, Wednesday.

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WOMAN SICK TWO YEARS

Could Do No Work Now Strong as a Man.

Chicago, Ill.—"For about two years I suffered from a female trouble so I was unable to walk or do any of my own work. I read about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound in the newspapers and determined to try it. It brought almost immediate relief. My weakness has entirely disappeared and I never had better health. I weigh 165 pounds and am as strong as a man. I think money is well spent which purchases Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. J. O'BRYEN, 1755 Newport Ave., Chicago, Ill.

The success of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, is unparalleled. It may be used with perfect confidence by women who suffer from displacements, inflammation, ulceration, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness, and nervous prostration. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the standard remedy for female ills.

RAISING GEESSE.

A Profitable Venture For Most Any Farm.

By G. E. Conkey.

Geese could be profitably kept on most every farm, for they are easily raised and there is little expense connected with their feeding.

Geese culture requires less capital than any other branch of the poultry business, as very little housing is necessary and they are turned out to the land very much like cattle. There are many places on the average farm not suitable for cultivation or for the raising of chickens. These places could be profitably utilized for a goose pasture. Low swampy places can be used provided there is also some high ground. The quarters should be kept reasonably clean for while they will stand considerably more filth and neglect than will chickens, it is not the proper way to care for them and good results cannot be obtained without considering the health of the flock.

MATING.

Mating usually takes place some time in February and after the fowls have been penned together for a week or ten days, it is not necessary to keep the various pens separated. Once the family ties are established, they should be lived up to during the entire season. Two or three females are all that should be mated to a male.

Geese are long lived and ten year old birds are quite common. Females of three years and over are the best for breeding purposes and their usefulness continues throughout their entire life. Young geanders are more desirable for breeders because of their activity. Old geanders also get quarrelsome with age.

VARIETIES.

Breeding stock should not be over fat. Like in poultry there is a wide difference of opinion as to which is the best breed of geese, but the Toulouse, Embden and African are the heavy weights of the goose family and have proven the most popular for general purposes. Other varieties are the Chinese, Wild or Canadian and Egyptian. In the heavier varieties the weight runs up to twenty and twenty-five pounds in the males. Females will weigh a few pounds less.

A goose will lay from twelve to twenty eggs before becoming broody. About twelve, however, is the right number for a setting to secure the best results. Thirty days are necessary for incubation. A season's laying will run from twenty to fifty eggs.

FEEDING AND RANGE.

If geese are well hatched, little difficulty will be experienced in raising them. They should be given about the same mash feed as little chicks or ducks with the exception that green food, such as cut grass or vegetable matter should be given liberally several times a day after the first day.

The old geese should be kept in a coop and the geese allowed to run about. Observe practically the same rules as are used with ducks. Avoid chilling and wetting. After a month they can be let out to range and if the pasture is good, only a little extra feed will be required. They are very light eaters and but very little attention is required. A good mash can be made by mixing two parts bran with one of meal. A variety of vegetables, such as beets, turnips, cabbage, etc., can be added in very good advantage in their feeding.

PATTERNING FOR MARKET.

The best time for fattening your young stock or green geese, as they are sometimes called, is just when the

ROAD HINTS.

"This is the season of road failures," said S. S. von Loesche, Engineer of the Department of Highways of the Automobile Legal Association. "The wise road superintendent, however, will profit by these failures, and make the road strong enough to stand while the frost is coming out of the ground next Spring."

"At this time of the year, a great many springs under the road bed that are dry during the Summer and Fall months are running freely and thus destroy the road bed. These springs should be led away through drains, and if necessary the spongy sub-soil should be replaced with a suitable material which will give a firm foundation for the road surface."

"In the spring of the year, the proper use of the road machine and drag will save the town and its inhabitants a goodly proportion of its annual appropriation, and also a great deal of annoyance and loss through transportation difficulties. If the gravel road is shaped and dragged at frequent intervals, the surface will become dense and hard, and the assurance of a good road during the ensuing months will be obtained, but if the road is allowed to rut and resemble a plowed field, the ultimate cost of repairs will be greatly increased. Nothing will go to pieces faster than the gravel or the earth road if it is not properly maintained."

"A great deal has been said about the economy of constructing a permanent pavement on country roads. At a recent hearing before the Committee on Roads and Bridges in Boston, the suggestion was made that country roads be paved with granite blocks. The cost of this or a similar type of pavement would, of course, be prohibitive."

"The suggestion might have been better made that the present type of road be properly constructed using the proper materials on a well drained and solid foundation. The most expensive pavement known will not stand up unless it has a proper foundation and receives constant maintenance."

HOMEMADE STERILIZER.

Will Help Farmers to Prevent Milk From Souring in Transit.

To assist milk producers to lessen their losses from milk which sours in transit and to help them comply with bacterial requirements set by local health officers, the Dairy Division of the United States Department of Agriculture this coming season will demonstrate its homemade steam sterilizer for dairy utensils in a large number of milk-producing centers. For this demonstration the department has had constructed more than 20 of the homemade sterilizing outfits. Already the health authorities of 150 cities have asked the department to send these outfits for local demonstration.

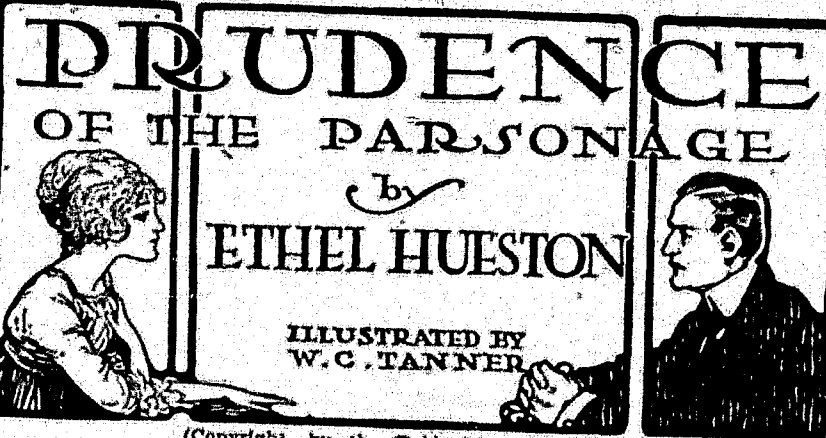
These outfits the department has offered to lend any local dairy official or health officer who will agree to demonstrate them in actual practice to milk producers in his locality. The outfit, which cost not over \$15 and can be made by any local tinsmith, when placed on a range or a two burner oil stove, generate steam enough to kill the bacteria in milk cans, pails, strainer cloths, and separator parts. At the same time the device removes food colors, leaves the utensils dry as well as sterilized, and adds materially to their life. The sterilization of milk utensils is of importance to the dairyman who wishes to produce a good flavored milk which will not sour readily. This is shown by the fact that milk cans, washed in the ordinary way, may harbor billions of bacteria, and milk contained in these cans is sure to have a high bacterial count, which tends to affect not only its keeping quality but its flavor as well. Other experiments show conclusively that milk which starts in sterilized condition has a much better chance of reaching market in good condition than milk which has been handled in utensils that simply have been washed in the ordinary way.

DON'T LET YOUR COUGH HANG ON

A cough that racks and weakens is dangerous, it undermines your health and strikes on the right. Follow it at once with Dr. King's New Discovery. This soothing balsam cures the throat, loosens the phlegm, its antiseptic properties kill the germ and the cold is quickly broken up. Children and grown-ups alike find Dr. King's New Discovery pleasant to take as well as effective. Have a bottle handy for your medicine chest for grippe, croup and all bronchial affections. At drug stores, 50c. Adv.

main wing feathers reach the base of the tail. Feed heavily on mash during the following three weeks and this will put them in the very best of condition for marketing.

Because of their rapid growth and the small quantity of grain they consume, geese will be found one of the most profitable investments on the farm.



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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—Prudence Starr, eldest of five motherless girls, comes to the Methodist parsonage at Mount Mark, as house mother for her father, the Methodist minister.

CHAPTER II.—The girls entertain a visiting minister at luncheon, to his discomfort. Carol, one of the twins, rides the family cow with disastrous results.

CHAPTER III.—Prudence and Fairy receive the Ladies' Aid society while Lark, Carol and Connie practice modeling in mud on the dining room table.

CHAPTER IV.—The twins prepare Connie for initiation into their private secret society with results unexpected to themselves.

CHAPTER V.—When Fairy entertains Eugene Babler in the evening, the twins convince Prudence that etiquette has small place in the Starr family.

CHAPTER VI.—Connie practices economy by borrowing \$5 from one of the trustees to buy a new clock and unconsciously teaches the church pillars a lesson.

CHAPTER VII.—Prudence captures a cat and wins \$50 reward.

CHAPTER VIII.—Prudence takes an early morning drive and runs into a mule, a sprained ankle and a romance. The knight of romance is Jerrold Harmer.

CHAPTER IX.—When Prudence is brought home Father Starr reads the girl's awakened heart in her actions and his own heart is heavy.

"All right. If you are the man, God bless you. And, do you mind if I just suggest that you and a little slow with Prudence? Remember that she has been sound asleep, until this morning. I do not want her awakened too rudely."

"Neither do I," said Jerrold quickly. "Shall I go down now? The girls have invited me to stay for supper, and Prudence says I am to come back tomorrow. Is that all right? Remember, I'll be going home on Monday."

"It is all right, certainly. Spend as much time here as you like. You will either get worse, or get cured, and—when ever it is, you've got to have a chance. I like you, Jerrold. Prudence judges by instinct, but it does not often fall her."

Prudence heard him running down the stairs boyishly, and when he came in, before she could speak, he whispered, "Shut your eyes tight, Prudence. And do not scold me, for I can't help it." Then he put his hands over her eyes and kissed her on the lips. They were both breathless after that. Prudence at last was aroused from her slumber.

CHAPTER XI.

She Orders Her Life.

That was the beginning of Prudence's golden summer. She was not given to self-analysis. She hadn't the time. She took things as they came. She could not bear the thought of sharing with the parsonage family even the least ardent and most prosaic of Jerrold's letters. But she never asked herself the reason. The days when Jerry came were tremendously happy ones for her—she was all aquiver when she heard him swinging briskly up the

It was a delightful location, as they had said. The board fitted nicely on the two limbs, and Jerry fastened it with the rusty nails. The twins were jubilant and loud in their praises of his skill and courage.

"Oh, Jerry!" exclaimed Carol, with deep satisfaction, "it's such a blessing to discover something really nice about you after all this time!"

"Hush!" hissed Lark. "Here comes Connie. Hold your breath, Jerry, and don't budge."

"Isn't she in on that?" he whispered. He could hear Connie making weird noises as she came around the house from the front. She was learning to whistle, and the effect was ghastly in the extreme. Connie's mouth had not been designed for whistling.

"Sh! She's the band of dark-browed sprites trying to steal my lovely wife."

"The lovely wife?" interrupted Carol, complacently.

"But Connie does not know about it. She is so religious she won't be any of the villainous parts."

Connie came around the corner of the parsonage, out the back walk to the stable. Then she gave a gleeful scream. Right before her lay a beautiful heavy rope. Connie had been yearning for a good rope to make a swing. Here it lay, at her very feet, plainly a gift of the gods. She did not wait to see where the other end of the rope was. She just grabbed what she saw before her, and started violently back around the house with it, yelling: "Prudence! Look at my rope!"

Prudence rushed around the parsonage. The twins shrieked wildly, as there was a terrific tug and heave of the limb beside them, and then—a crashing of branches and leaves. Jerry was gone!

It did look horrible, from above as well as below. But Jerry, when he felt the first light twinge as Connie lifted the rope, forsook what was coming and was ready for it. As he went down, he grabbed a firm hold on the branch on which he had stood, then he dropped to the next, and held again. On the lower limb he really clung for after seconds, and took in his hair.

Prudence raised her hands to his face, and looked intensely into his eyes, all the sweet loving soul of her shining in her own. And Jerry kissed her.

The twins scrambled down from the maple, speechless and cold with terror, and saw Prudence and Jerry! Then they saw Connie, staring at them with interest and amusement.

"I think we'd better go to bed, all three of us," declared Lark sturdily. And they set off heroically around the house. But at the corner Carol turned.

"Take my advice and go into the woodshed," she called, "for all the Avers are looking out of their windows."

Prudence did not hear, but he drew her swiftly to the darkest corner of the side porch—and history repeated itself once more!

At twelve, Jerry went upstairs to bed, his lips tingling with the fervent tenderness of her parting kiss. He stood at his window, looking soberly out into the moonlit parsonage yard.

"She is an angel, a pure, sweet, unselfish little angel," he whispered, and his voice was broken, and his eyes were wet, "and she is going to be my wife! Oh, God, teach me how to be good to her, and help me make her as happy as she deserves!"

At two o'clock, thinking again the soft say words she had whispered to him, he dropped lightly asleep and dreamed of her. With the first pale streaks of daylight stealing into his room he awoke. It was after four o'clock. A little later—just a few minutes later—he heard a light tap on his door. It came again, and he bounded out of bed.

"Prudence! Is anything wrong?"

"Hush, Jerry, not so loud!" And what a strange, mysterious voice! "Come downstairs, will you? I want to tell you something. I'll wait at the foot of the stairs. Be quiet—do not wake father and the girls. Will you be down soon?"

"In two minutes!"

And in two minutes he was down, agonizingly anxious, knowing that something was wrong. Prudence was waiting for him, and as he reached the bottom step she clutched his hands desperately.

"Jerry," she whispered, "I—forgive me—I honestly— Oh, I didn't think what I was saying last night. You were so dear, and I was so happy, and for a while I really believed we could belong to each other. But I can't, you know. I've promised papa and the girls a dozen times that I would never marry. Don't you see how it is? I must take it back."

Jerry smiled a little, it must be admitted. This was so like his conscientious little Prudence!

"Dearest," he said gently, "you love me. Your father would never allow you to sacrifice yourself like that. The girls would not hear of it. They want you to be happy. And you can't be happy without me, can you?"

Suddenly she crushed close to him. "Oh, Jerry!" she sobbed, "I will never be happy again. I know. But—it is right for me to stay here and be the mother in the parsonage. It is wicked of me to want you more than all of them. Don't you see it? They haven't any mother. They haven't anyone but me. Of course, they would not allow it, but they will not know anything about it. I must do it myself. And father especially, must never know. I want you to go away this morning before breakfast and—never come again."

She clung to him as she said this, but her voice did not falter. "And you must not say a word to me any more. For, oh, Jerry, if I see you again I can never let you go, I know it. Will you do this for me?"

"You are nervous and excited," he said tenderly. "Let's wait until after breakfast. Then we'll talk it all over with your father, and it shall be as he says. Won't that be better?"

"Oh, no. For father will say whatever he thinks will make me happy. He must not know a thing about it. Promise, Jerry, that you will never tell him one word."

"I promise, of course, Prudence. I will let you tell him."

But she shook her head. "He will never know. Oh, Jerry! I can't bear to think of never seeing you again, and never getting letters from you, and it seems to kill me inside, just the thought of it."

"It'll be in my lap. Put your head on my shoulder, like that. Let me rub your face a little. You're feverish. You are sick. Go to bed, won't you, sweetheart? We can settle this later on."

"You must go right away, or I can't let you go at all!"

"Do you mean you want me to get my things and go right now?"

"Yes." She buried her face in his shoulder. "If—if you stay in your room until breakfast time I will lock you in, so you cannot leave me again. I know it. I am crazy today."

"Don't you think you owe me something as well as your father and sister? Didn't God bring us together—

and make us love each other? Don't you think he intended us for each other? Do you wish you had never met me?"

"Jerry!"

"Then, sweetheart, be reasonable. Your father loved your mother, and married her. That is God's plan for all of us. You have been a wonderfully brave and sweet daughter and sister, I know. But surely Fairy is old enough to take your place now."

"Fairy's going to be a professor, and—the girls do not mind her very well. And she isn't as much comfort to father as I am. It's just because I am most like mother, you see. But anyway, I promised. I can't leave them."

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"Of course he wouldn't. That's just like father. But still, I promised. And what would the girls say if I should go back on them? They have trusted me, always. If I fail them, will they ever trust anybody else? If you love me, Jerry, please go, and stay away. But her arm tightened about his neck. "I'll wait here until you get your things, and we can—say goodbye. And don't forget your promise."

"Oh, very well, Prudence," he answered, half irritably, "if you insist on ordering me away from the house like this, I can only go. But—"

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Her tremulous lips were pressed against his.

"Oh, sweetheart, this is folly, all folly. But I can't make you see it. It is wrong, it is wickedly wrong, but—"

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"Jerry has gone, Fairy." Prudence's back was presented to view once more, and Prudence was stirring the oatmeal with vicious energy. "He left early this morning—I suppose he is half-way to Des Moines by now."

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